

CONFERENCE NEGRO LEAGUE

National League Has Prominent Speakers of Both White and Black To Give Their Views in New York Meeting—Mayor Mitchell, Oswald Garrison Villard, Dr. Friswell, Kelly Miller, Railroad and Steel Magnates Among Speakers—All Agree Negroes Have Made Good in Their New Field of Labor—Meeting Also Held in St. Louis on Same Subject at Central Baptist Church Wednesday.

New York, Jan. 28, 1917.—The Conference on Negro Migration, held on Friday afternoon and evening last at the Russell Sage Foundation Building, New York City, under the auspices of the National League on Urban Conditions among Negroes furnished an excellent opportunity for the leaders of thought on the problems of Negroes in cities to reach an understanding as to methods to be used in meeting the social needs of the Negro migrants.

Some of those addressing the conference and leading in the discussion were: Frederick C. Howe, U. S. Commissioner of Immigration; George F. Haynes, Executive Secretary, National Urban League; John T. Emlen, Secretary, American Association of Philadelphia; J. J. Tray Jr., Special Agent of the Erie Railroad; Miss Helen B. Pendleton, Assistant Secretary, Associated Charities of Newark; C. T. Ervin, Agent, Negro Organization Society, Virginia; Forrester B. Washington, Director, Detroit League on Urban Conditions among Negroes; John J. Murphy, Treasurer, House of Representatives; Mayor Mitchell, Council; Garrison Villard, publisher, New York Evening Post; William H. Baldwin III, of the New York Evening Post; Hollis B. Friswell, Principal Hampton Institute; J. H. Butler, Assistant Secretary, Savannah League on Urban Conditions among Negroes; Second Deputy Police Commissioner Lawrence E. Duhaney, of New York City; Dr. R. E. Wright, Jr., Editor, Christian Recorder, official organ of the A. M. E. Church; and E. K. Jones, Executive Secretary, National Urban League.

Professor Kelly Miller, Dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, Howard University and vice-president of the league, presided at the afternoon session at the Erie Railroad. Mr. Emlen, President of the National Urban League, at the evening session.

Commissioner Howe, speaking on "Migration After the War," said:

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Mayor Kiel To Make Address

At Lincoln-Douglas Memorial Monday Evening, February 12, at 8 o'clock. Other Prominent Speakers on Program.

Mayor Henry W. Kiel will be the principal speaker at the Lincoln-Douglas Celebration which will be held at Pythian Temple, 3137 Pine St., Monday evening, February 12.

The celebration is under the auspices of the Colored Republican Inspectors of the Street Department and the program has been so arranged as to afford a wide scope of pleasure and satisfaction to all who attend.

Other prominent speakers will grace the program, among whom are: Dr. Chas. Henry Phillips, Hon. C. M. Talbot, Director of Streets and Sewers, Hon. William Herbert Field, Grand Master of the A. U. K. and D. of A. Dr. N. L. Smith, Pastor of Lane Tabernacle, Hon. J. H. Brown, Mayor, and others. The complete program will appear in next issue.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION.

A birthday celebration of Abraham Lincoln is being pictures at St. James A. M. E. Church (cor. Pendleton and St. Ferdinand) Monday, Feb. 12, at 8:30 p. m. General admission, 10 cents. Rev. W. H. Peck, Pastor.

Big Masquerades At The Orpheus Academy Feb. 9

Two big masquerades are on the New Orpheus Academy calendar for this month. As no Valentine party will be given this year, Mr. Grant has decided to give the Valentine party with two grand society functions on Friday nights, February 9 and 16. These are being planned to be of extraordinary brilliancy and the program of the social world is expected to attend. An elaborate dance program is being arranged and the guests will again witness the principle reason why the new popular craze which is receiving no less than three times whenever it is presented.

PHILIPPS DENIES HIS INTEREST IN CONFERENCE AT MAYOR'S OFFICE

To the Editor of the St. Louis Argus: Will you please allow me to state in your paper to deny the statement published in one of the daily papers that I together with others had visited the Mayor's office on Saturday, January 27, and pledged my support to the Mayor for re-election.

I wish to have it understood by all I own the article that I have not attended any conference and have given no support to the Mayor for re-election.

Thank you for any publication of this statement.

Heuser G. Phillips.

DePriest Retires As Candidate

Chicago Negro Alderman Quits on Account of Indifference in Grant Investigation. Successor Will Be Negro.

Chicago, Ill., Jan. 20.—Oscar DePriest announced his retirement as a candidate for reelection last night at an executive meeting of the Republican organization of the Second ward. He denied the charges made against him, but declined in view of his indifference he felt that he should retire pending the outcome of his prosecution.

A new candidate probably will be chosen at another meeting of ward leaders. He will also be a Negro, a deal having been made by the Thompson Republicans in the ward two years ago to give the Negroes one representative in the Council.

State Representative Robert R. Jackson and Dr. Roberts are likely candidates for the administration backing.

DePriest was succeeded on his bond and immediately released on a new bond signed by four sureties.

DePriest Has Indicted

On charges of "Jury tampering" and "obstruction of justice" as a result of the investigation. Wholesome grafting is charged.

FORMER ST. LOUIS BOY IN TROUBLE IN CHICAGO

Alfonso HARRIS, formerly a St. Louis boy, known as "Outlaw" shot and killed James A. Harlan, the President of the Chicago Police, at the Hotel Chicago, Chicago, last week. Howell killed self-defense. 100.

New Grill Room To Open Monday

The new Grill Room Annex to the Archway Hotel, located at 1000 Olive St., will have a conspicuous opening Monday night, February 5. A special feature will be dancing and a live orchestra. The menu will provide every variety of food. Including oysters in various styles, club house sandwiches and the popular "Reverend" new addition, a delicious, comfortable and pleasant. Those who attend the opening Monday night are assured an enjoyable evening.

NOTICE

Owing to the increased number of the Argus papers, I am handling one week, and because my studies in school are increasing, and also that I am required to pay for the papers I will personally deliver the Argus to all my customers to be ready to pay for their papers each week when delivered.

This notice to take effect February 5th. My customers are advised to deliver the Argus should communicate with me at once.

Thanking you in advance for the notice, I am, respectfully,
J. D. Williams, 4280 Lucky Street.

PORO COLLEGE EXECUTIVE FORCE VISITS TUSKEGEE

Illustrated Lecture by Mr. Malone, Showing Progress of Race Still the Talk of Famous Educational Institute. Four Thousand Agents Added to Already Large List During Year.

Tuskegee Institute, Alabama, January 27.—Tuskegee is still talking about the very excellent illustrated lecture presented by Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Malone, of Poro College, Mass. These pictures exhibited the progress of the race along all lines and those who were present carried from the meeting the most encouraging impressions of the progress of the Negro race. Their pictures, the motion and still ones, are most excellent and are not confined to their own business but show Negro progress and activity in many sections of the country.

Accompanied by Mr. William Brown, mechanical; Miss Maude McMoray, secretary; Miss Vernice Moody, a department manager; Mr. and Mrs. Malone reached Tuskegee Institute, Tuesday, January 16, and spent three days here. They attended the sessions of the Tuskegee Negro Conference and while here were accorded many social courtesies by the officers and teachers of the Institute, including a dinner at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Emmett J. Scott. From Tuskegee the Poro College party went to Pensacola, Florida, New Orleans, and other points in this section, before returning to their home in St. Louis.

Mr. Malone was very much encouraged over the progress of the business. "We added four thousand agents last year, and these agents are building independent incomes for themselves in their communities."

Baptism At Central Baptist

The first baptismal service of the revival meetings at the Central Church will take place at the Central Church next Sunday. Dr. Stevens and the members are rejoicing over the splendid results of the campaign. Dr. A. C. Powell has no superior as a evangelist and he has captured the hearts of all who have heard him. Dr. Powell gave his closing lecture last Wednesday night to a large audience. His subject was "Broken, But Not Off." His treatment of this subject proved to be one of the most luminous, pointed and entertaining discussions of the race question ever listened to. Dr. Powell took an early train on Thursday morning for California. His people gave him a leave of absence for six weeks. While the every night meetings at the Central Church are closed, the Wednesday night and the Friday night meetings will glow with the revival spirit for a long time to come. No soul-winning campaign at Central in years has been more profoundly spiritual or stirred a more widespread interest among all Christians without regard to race.

The playlet deals with the candidates for baptism will meet at the church Sunday morning at ten thirty.

"Cause And Effect" Drama

The most spectacular event of the season will be given at Union Memorial Church, Friday evening, March 9, under the auspices of the "Cause and Effect" drama. It is a comedy in which Mr. John Tracy is the captain.

This team is one of the many teams working to clear the church of all idolatry.

Mr. Tracy is offering a beautiful wrist-watch to the one selling the highest amount of tickets over twenty dollars (\$20.00).

The affair will be under the personal direction of Mrs. Grace Key Carlson, who is well known for her excellent work and success in handling such affairs, and you may look forward to being well entertained. The name of the play, as written by Mrs. Carlson, the name of which is, "Cause and Effect." The playlet deals with the nations engaged in the present war, with music especially arranged for the play. Admission, 10 cents.

FLOWER RECEPTION

Spiritual Church, 2705 Locust—In connection with the spiritual service on Friday evening, February 23, a flower reception will be held. Some of the best gardeners in the city will be present to advise.

Special offering for the building fund J. S. Weatherford, Rector; Mrs. M. Harris, assistant.

N. C. BRUCE VISITS ST. LOUIS

Principal of "Missouri-West Country Life School"—The Bartlett Agricultural and Industrial School at Dalton, Mo., Reports Progress Among Farmers.

N. C. Bruce, principal of the "Missouri-West Country Life School," the Bartlett Agricultural and Industrial School at Dalton, Mo., was here a few hours this week on business matters with certain of his local trustees. Prof. Bruce reports progress among the 4,000 Missouri Negro farmers, several hundred of whom are organized into a State Association, held their tenth annual meeting recently in connection with the above named school. Principal Bruce is the leader of this organization. In opening this recent conference, among things, he said:

"Our life is ours, the sunshine, the rain, the seasons are all free to us black people as to our white neighbors. No right minded white people would hinder us from producing crops, nor from continuous, efficient labor and service. From saving and growing ourselves to be good, honest, intelligent citizens if they could, and they couldn't if they would. Recent triumphs in crops and in the conduct of this school and the fine behavior and love of labor and service by our students, have brought more verbal and written words of praise and commendation, proportionately, from white men and women from all parts of Missouri and from many sections of the country than from leaders of our race. This is proof that the white people are not against us. This school's achievements have not been done in a corner. We have compared with the best white farmers in Missouri and in the nation and have won and are going to keep on winning by better and better labor and services. My people are discovering and getting their rights. That's what's in it. It is what God wants us to do. No race ought to excel us in farming and in home and home economics and service. These are things, as high calling, and require as severe training as for the official and governing officers in our American democracy. There has been but little, if any, gain for our people in the American politics in the last 30 years. No political party seems to desire the Negro sufficiently to back him in the exercise of his civil and political rights. That's what's in it. We quit our plowing and hoeing and our remunerative places for education, to bother with politics unless we can better our people in the nation and have won, or until we are backed by some party to the extent of being protected in our American manhood privileges, even as Irish, Jews and Greeks, Poles, and Scotch, in America are sought after."

Negroes are not appreciable immigrants but are, to the manner born, the backbone of the nation. They are the most representative to speak of in any state or in the National Government. Now after 50 years of so-called playing politics, Negroes own and tend over one hundred millions of acres of taxable property in our country. The land we own and operate and pay taxes on is valued at \$1,144,795,225 in 1915, and should exceed this by one million more in the face of many handicaps, mainly our ignorance.

White and Colored people of the South are exactly trying now to know each other better. Races don't hate each other when they really know each other, nor can they know without sympathy contact. Knowing each other helps people to work better for each other's welfare. The difference should be recognized without condemning one race to eternal degradation. It is a matter of the people's knowledge to recognize in black people capabilities for real worth, efficiency and goodness. It is still happier for black people to lift up their own heads, and say "We are men, created by the same God, have a work to do and shall bravely do our work. Back to the land is the Negro's best hope."

OPPOSE NEGRO DOCTOR.

Chicago, January 30.—A statement that Dr. Roscoe Giles, a physician, would today be certified as an appointment as chief of staff in the Medical Department of the United States Army, brought a storm of protest from 600 white women who are patients at the institution.

The women have declared that they will march to the City Hall and protest to the Mayor if the appointment is made.

"I could not and would not subject myself to examination by a Negro physician," said a petition signed by the women.

Mrs. Joseph T. Bland, president of the Women's Club, added fuel to the fire by endorsing the appointment, and writing that the stand taken by the women was foolish.

K. of P. BANQUET P. H. MURRAY PASSES AWAY

Feast in Honor of Supreme Officers at Douglas Hall Monday Evening, Feb. 2.



Supreme Chancellor, K. W. Green

At the regular meeting of the Supreme Lodge Committee last Wednesday night at Pythian Hall, it was reported that all arrangements had been completed for the reception of the Supreme Chancellor S. W. Green and his cabinet, who is expected in St. Louis Monday morning. In the party will be Supreme Chancellor S. W. Green, Supreme Grand Worthy Counselor, Joseph L. Jones, Supreme attorney Watkins and Major R. R. Jackson, head of the Uniform Department.

It is understood that while the officers are here final arrangements will be made as to the program and program for the evening session of the Supreme Lodge, which convenes in this city in August.

A banquet will be tendered our distinguished guest on Monday night at Douglas Hall, by lodges and courts, and on Tuesday night a cabaret and smoker by the men.

League Condemns Parker's Speech

At a meeting of the Independent Negro Voters' League, held at 2801 Pine street Tuesday night, Jan. 30th, resolutions were passed by the members of the league strongly condemning the speech of W. H. Parker at the conference at Mayor Kiel's office last Saturday. The resolution pointed out that Parker, an irresponsible, who is a janitor at the jail, was mentioned as a race traitor. That what's in it is that his utterances had done the Negro people incalculable harm. Members of the league were bitter in their denunciation of Parker's statements that some Negroes would vote five times and others twenty times for Mayor Kiel if necessary to elect him. They stated that the Negroes of St. Louis desired to vote but one ballot, and then to have that honestly counted.

Arrangements were made by the league to celebrate the hundredth anniversary of the birth of Frederick Douglass on Sunday, Feb. 18th.

Attorney Geo. L. Vaughn is president of the league, and the other officers are Jas. E. Jones, vice president; Paul W. Mosley, secretary; Dr. A. W. Chatham, treasurer; Ernest Padilla, sergeant-at-arms; Wm. H. Fields, chairman of the organization, and J. W. McIntyre, chairman of the executive committee.

The members of the league pledge themselves to support men rather than parties.

"THE CRISIS"

See Winston Churchill's "Crisis" at Y. W. C. A. February 12. Played five consecutive weeks at the New Grand Central. Scenes laid in St. Louis. Colored actors participate. Admission 25 cents.

ALL SAINTS WILL CELEBRATE CANDLEMAS SUNDAY EVENING

February 2 is the feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The All Saints Church will celebrate it with a solemn procession in the church Sunday evening.

This feast is commonly called Candlemas, because anciently on this day the candles prescribed for divine service were blessed. The custom has been revived in our parish.

It is an ancient and pious custom for the people to make an offering of one, or more candles for the service of the altar; and with the candles for the use of the church, at least one was candle to take home after it had been used in the bed of the dying, or for any other proper ecclesiastical religious. These candles are received of the people by proper officers, during the solemn procession, in the evening, and the procession returns to the altar.

The Reverend Father Boyd O'Connor, of Trinity Church, will preach at the candlemas service in the evening. Rev. Mr. C. M. Mason in the morning. Special music will be rendered by the choir.

Newspaper Man, Lecturer and Race Leader Found Dead in Chair at Home. Was 74 Years Old. Had Been in Public Life More Than Half Century. Funeral Sunday.

Prof. Philip H. Murray, newspaper man, lecturer and sociologist, was found dead, sitting in a chair at his home, 2637 Pine St., Tuesday morning, at 9 o'clock. Prof. Murray had been a sufferer from asthma for several years and had decided to retire from newspaper work and go East to visit his daughters. A number of friends arranged a tribute to his work when he died.

For the past year he has been an editorial writer on the staff of the New York Times.

Prof. Murray was born of Scots, in Redding, Pa., about age. He had been an active editor for more than a half century. His early life had been spent in Virginia and Missouri.

As a lecturer on philology, a traveled extensively. He was a finished scholar and often was threatened and suppressed by the whites in the South because it was feared his distinct articulation and almost perfect grammar would bring to the Negroes, who knew only the typical southern brogue, Murray was a fearless foe to Negro hatred and went through many exciting incidents on this account. He served for the Union, as recruiting officer during the Civil War, after which he established a newspaper in Washington, D. C. He was president of the Negro Voters' Association and was always connected with any movement for the advancement of Colored people. He came to Missouri to live in 1876 and served under Chancery L. Folley, in the money order department of the post office. He immediately started a fight to establish Colored schools and colleges in Missouri. He later went to Pike County, Mo., to teach school and was married there. His wife died about 20 years ago.

A little later, he accepted a position on "The Truth," a St. Louis Negro newspaper, which he finally acquired and changed it to "The Advocate" in 1881. This paper he continued to publish until he succeeded it a little over a year ago and joined the Argus editorial staff. Of a family of 14, three sisters and two brothers are still living. He also leaves to mourn their loss three daughters and one son.

The funeral will be held at St. Paul Chapel Sunday afternoon at 2 p. m. The remains can be viewed at St. Paul Chapel Tuesday and Wednesday after 10 a. m.

Mrs. Maggie C. Kinner, of Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Edith Sturges, of Princeton, N. J.; and Mrs. Alice Gray of Washington, D. C., daughters of the deceased, have arrived in the city and are stopping at the Douglas Hotel.

IBDOORE SHAFTEYER DIES

A man and event of this week was the death of Indore P. Shaftey, at his late residence, 4274 Lucky St., Monday evening, Jan. 29, 1917, at 12:30 p. m. Mr. Shaftey, who was a post office clerk for the past 10 years, was a charter member of the Apollo Club, organizer of the 1899, also a member of the T. M. C. Club.

The Accurate Laundry Co., of which Mr. Shaftey was a stockholder and director, was closed down during the funeral services, which were held at St. Paul Chapel, Thursday, Feb. 1, 1917, at 10:00 a. m.

Forum Club

Meeting Feb. 14

At a meeting of the members and ex-members of the Forum Club, held at Pythian Temple, 3137 Pine St., Sunday, January 28, 1917, a decision was reached to re-verify the club. All 25 ex-members present, and all 25 took the deciding step. Much enthusiasm was shown and the need of such a club in the active civic life of St. Louis was shown.

The next meeting of the club will be held at Pythian Temple, Sunday, February 11, at 4 p. m., 1917. The ex-members are invited to be present to renew their membership in the club. The meeting last Sunday was a preliminary meeting to arrange for the large meeting on the 11th. It is hoped that all members and ex-members of the club will be present at that meeting and will re-connect themselves with the club.

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OUT OF TOWN NEWS.

CHICESTERFIELD, MO.

By Miss Estelle Brooks

Miss Doll Buckner visited Miss Halie May Burles, of St. Louis, who was injured in an automobile accident last week. Miss Estelle Brooks returned home last Monday, after spending a few days with Miss Margie Burr, of Clarksville, Mo. Mr. Julius Johnson was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Orl Brooks, last Sunday. Those on the sick list are Mrs. Susan Edwards and Mr. Albert Ellis.

ST. MARTY, MO.

By E. G. E.

Quite a number of friends and relatives surprised Mr. Henry Hamilton, Saturday evening in honor of his 59th birthday. An enjoyable evening was spent by every one present. Mr. John Mack and daughter, Mrs. V. Burgette were recent visitors in Furst, Mo. Mr. Cronin Meredith visited in E. St. Louis last week. A number of our citizens have been on the sick list, but we are glad to know all are convalescent at this writing.

MEACHAM PARK, MO.

By V. M. Johnson

Rev. DeShield preached his farewell sermon to a large crowd Sunday night. Mr. and Mrs. Whitler were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Rodgers Sunday. Mr. W. A. Bell met with a serious accident, he fell upon a nail, which pierced his knee. Mrs. P. Johnson was the guest of Mr. S. J. Patterson in Clayton last week. Miss Thelma Cooper, of Alton, was the guest of Mrs. E. Bell. A number of Miss Hazel Beck are on the sick list.

UNION, MO.

By Miss Alma Altch

Mr. Andrew Johnson died at his home Monday morning, after a few days of illness. Messrs. John Good and Herman Altch went to St. Louis, Friday. Mrs. Stella Grigby and sister, Mrs. Jones and Mr. Jones Johnson, were in Union this week attending the funeral of their father, Mr. Andrew Johnson. Mrs. Bertie Brown and her son, Page, visited here Saturday. Rev. P. W. Chester and wife are on the sick list. Mrs. Andrew Johnson is visiting in Washington this week. Sunday was quarterly meeting at the church, the services were well attended. Mr. and Mrs. John James and daughter, Blanche, of Moline, spent Sunday here. Miss Kathryn Hansen spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Alma Altch.

WEBSTER GROVER, MO.

Mrs. Leola Laird

Series of meetings will begin at the A. M. E. Church, Sunday, February 4. Everybody is welcome. Rev. J. L. Brooks, pastor. There will be sacramental service at Blackwell Chapel Sunday, February 4. Rev. C. F. Collins, pastor, invites all members and friends to be present. The concert given under the auspices of the Junior Missionary Society of Blackwell Chapel, Thursday, January 26, was a decided success. Mrs. Jan N. Beasley, the president, wishes to thank the participants and friends for their support; receipts were \$13.15. Mrs. Sadie Harris is again, after a brief illness. Mrs. M. E. Goodwin spent last week end in Alton, Ill., visiting relatives. Misses Genevieve and Wills Pierce had at their guests to dinner last Sunday, Misses Erika and Vera Brooks. The Friday evening Bible class, with Rev. J. L. Brooks as instructor, is rapidly growing in attendance and spiritually. The class meets at different homes and every lesson is beautifully explained.

FARMINGTON, MO.

By Miss Doyne P. Baker

Mr. Chas. Baker was in St. Louis Saturday, attending to business. Miss Edith Cayce, teacher of Mineral Point, accompanied by one of her pupils, little Miss Lora Lee LaMarque, enjoyed Saturday and Sunday here. A number of young men from Polos exhibited their comedy at the Masonic Hall, Thursday night. A large crowd attended. Mrs. Lewis Murphy is spending a few days at Crystal City. Rev. A. L. Reynolds assisted Mrs. M. Lyons with baptismal rites Sunday. The congregation is rejoicing over an increase in membership. Mrs. Mary Cayce was accidentally cut Sunday by falling against a knife, which cut an ugly gash in his thigh. The teachers' meeting at the A. M. E. Church each Friday is quite largely attended and much interest is being manifested. Saturday was rice pudding day with the domestic science girls economy in cooking. Miss Corinne Wilkins has been asked to teach another month. This will be quite beneficial to pupils, as well as the teacher. Mrs. Virginia Pugh, Mrs. Davis Burton and Master Scott Hunt are among the ill of the week. Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Bridges and Mrs. Marie Lyons, of Swink's Settlement, were Farmington visitors Sunday.

CAPE GIRARDEAU, MO.

Miss H. N. Jones

Mr. Anthony Benson, who had been in poor health for the past year, died at his home from heart trouble Monday afternoon. The funeral services

were held from the A. M. E. Church Thursday. Mr. Sam Midgitt, Mrs. Annie Wise and Mrs. Sarah Ferguson, who are on the sick list, are reported to be improving. The Movie Theatre was well filled Monday night to see the first episode of Peg of Ring, which will run for fifteen weeks at the regular price of 5 and 10 cents. Mrs. Neva Patrick Bowen died at her home on North Main Street, after a few days' illness with pneumonia Saturday. Interment in Shady Grove Cemetery. The Sunday services at Holy's Chapel was well attended. At the A. M. E. the usual splendid services were enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel King left the city Saturday for Chicago to make it their future home.

ALTON, ILL.

By Geo. G. Samuels

A freak show was given at Crowe's Hall, Monday January 22, for the benefit of the North Side A. M. E. Church. Some of the attractions were: Zip, the wild man, The Petrified Man, The Fat Woman, The Japanese Woman and The Pretty Girl. It was well attended and enjoyed by all. Mr. Peter, Bernard died Thursday, January 25. He was one of the heaviest men in Alton, his weight was 325 pounds. He was also one of the Illinois Glass Company's steadfast men, and had to stop work because of his weight, but was pensioned by the company. The Sewing Circle met at the residence of Daniel Dora Lowry, Thursday, Jan. 25, a large crowd attended and spent a pleasant evening. Mr. Howard Green graduated from the Alton High School Friday, January 26. He is the only mid-winter Colored graduate. Miss Sarah Kyles was the guest of Mrs. Katherine Samuels, of Jerseyville, Ill., Friday, January 26. Rev. Geo. C. Mason, the pastor of the U. B. Church, entertained the members of the Men's Club Wednesday, January 24, at the Union Baptist Church, a large number were present and had a delightful time. Mrs. G. Brewer, Mrs. P. E. Adams, Mrs. I. H. Kelly, Miss L. Adams and Mrs. Geo. Samuels were the guests at a luncheon at the residence of Mrs. A. Howard Wednesday, January 24, a delightful evening was spent with music and needle craft.

CHESTER, ILL.

By Miss Mabel Bigby

Rev. Spence was in Grand Tower Sunday. Mrs. Swaine Nelson was in Sparta Monday. The funeral of Mrs. W. M. Kelley was held from the A. M. E. Church, Wednesday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Anity Cox and Mrs. Florence Friley, of St. Louis, and Mrs. Dr. Gastin, of Chicago, were in the city last week to attend the funeral of Mrs. Kelley. Mr. and Mrs. Will Stevens of Post-Gage, visited Chester, Tuesday and Wednesday.

EDWARDSVILLE, ILL.

By E. E. Williams

Mr. Theo. Tandy, who has been quite sick, is much better. Mr. W. H. Harlton, a farmer of Pine Oak, was found dead in bed Monday morning. Mrs. Harriet Elsworth, one of Edwardsville's oldest citizens, has gone to the Old Folks' Home in St. Louis. Rev. and Mrs. Healey spent Tuesday in East St. Louis visiting Lincoln High School. Mrs. Peter Grindler is visiting in St. Louis. Mr. Griffin expects to go to Bond County on business in a few days. Mr. John Stewart, who has been on the sick list, is much better. Miss Nellie Channing, of New York, spent Monday with Mr. and Mrs. and Mrs. Leonard Ward made a business trip to St. Louis Thursday. Mrs. Leona Ward is on the sick list. Mrs. Sylvia Harris, an aunt of E. E. Williams, who has been a resident of Nashville for more than fifty years, died at the age of ninety-eight last week.

FARMERSBURG, ILL.

By Julius D. Pendleton

Miss Fanny Pendleton was in St. Louis last Thursday to attend the funeral of her cousin, Lizzie Franklin. Mr. and Mrs. William Randall, of Mendon, were called to the bedside of their son, Arthur, who is dangerously ill. They sent him to St. Mary's Hospital, East St. Louis. Mr. William Freeman, son and daughter are visiting his parents in Mendon. Theodore Pendleton spent several days in Belleville last week. Many of the children are sick with the measles.

POPLAR BLUFF, MO.

By Mrs. C. P. Jackson

Rev. China, pastor of Pleasant Hill Church, preached a very impressive sermon Sunday morning. Mrs. Hattie Moore is moving at her home on Parthenia Street. Miss Marcella Mitchell, of Mississippi, arrived in the city last week, to make her home with her cousin, Mr. A. B. Moore, on Alice Street. Mrs. Ella Dillard was called Monday to the bedside of her brother in Little Rock, Ark. The C. M. E. Church is progressing nicely under the leadership of their pastor, Rev. L. F. Farris. The following deacons were ordained at Pleasant Hill Church Sunday evening: Messrs. L. T. Lee, A. B. Moore, G. E. St. Clair, L. H. Mills. Rev. China left Monday night for Pueblo, Colo. to conduct a revival meeting. Rev. Phillips, who has been confined with the smallpox, is improving. Mrs. M. R. Wyatt was the guest of Mr. R. S. Blue Sunday. Mr. A. B. Moore was elected president of Pleasant Hill Baptist Church choir; Mr. L. H. Mills, vice-president; Miss Maggie Neville was re-elected organist. Rev. A. L. Stenson will have charge of the services at Pleasant Hill in the absence of Rev. China.



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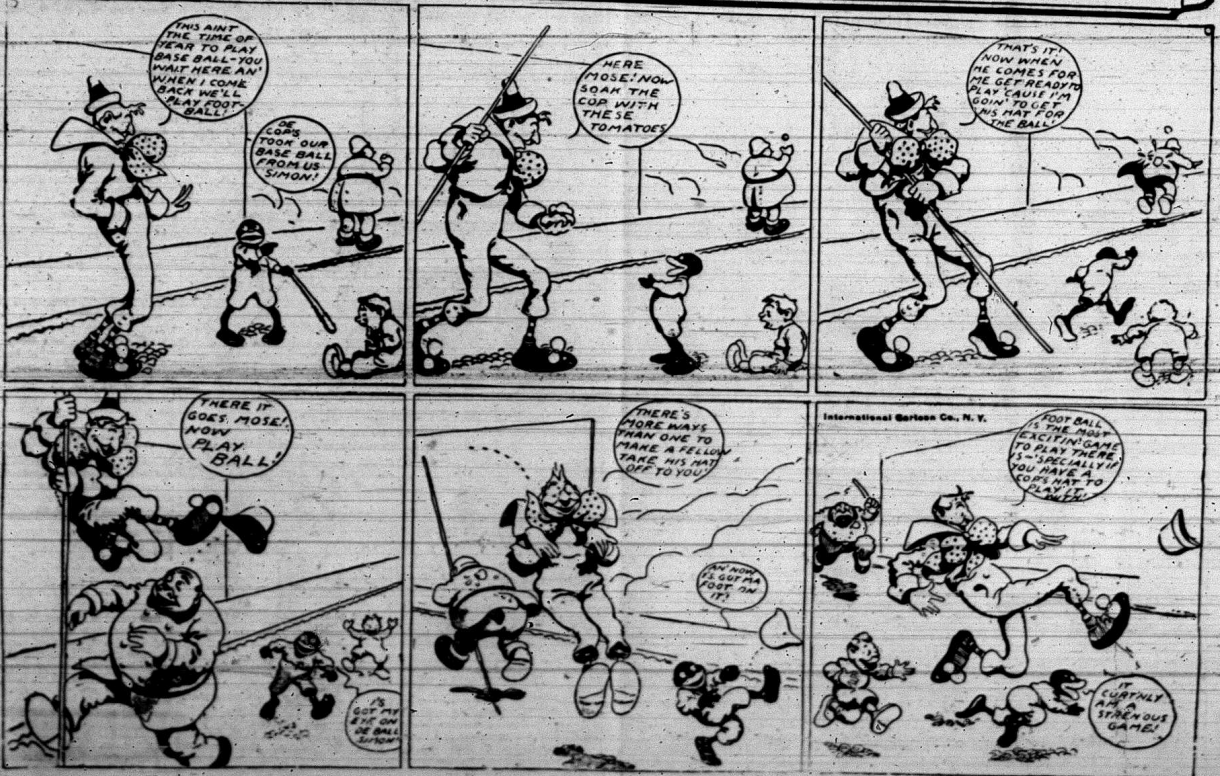
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IN MEMORY OF PHILLIP H. MURRAY

The Grim Reaper brings a grievous sense of loss to us, in the death of Phillip H. Murray. He was a potent, but unassuming power for the advancement of his people. He was one of the builders of the foundation upon which must stand the future destiny of the Negro race. He sacrificed his life for the good of all. Those who enjoyed his personal friendship found him to be affable, kind and indulgent and for this he was loved and honored.

He was able, conscientious and energetic. He realized the help he could be to his race and he never faltered in the effort. He was intelligent and broad-minded and a linguist with a power to enforce his ideals. Although in his final days his body was racked with pain from a fatal sickness he never lost courage and fought for his race to the end. "Grant him thine eternal rest, O Lord!"

THINK TWICE BEFORE YOU SPEAK

The unfortunate utterances of a janitor at a gathering of city employees in the office of Mayor Kiel last Saturday is to be regretted. No one can reasonably assume that the speaker was serious in his expressions. It was only the babble of a misguided tongue by an overenthusiast. It was no doubt given in a spirit of jollity, but, coming as it did at this time, it only served as food for our enemies. The effect is a bitter experience but a good lesson. Those who assume to represent the opinions of their fellowmen should know their mission and be capable of filling it. Too often are men called upon to represent the race on important affairs who are either not qualified or have not been given time for serious thought. The ability of extemporaneous discussion is a rarity that few men possess. We hope that this burden will not be imposed upon others hereafter. We must "think twice before we speak," we can ill afford to humiliate ourselves.

THE POWER OF EFFICIENCY

The recent promotion of a young colored man to a responsible position, by a large manufacturing firm, clearly exemplifies the power of efficiency. It further proves that efficiency is master over race, color or creed. Efficiency is the nemesis of prejudice. It surmounts the obstacles in life, clears the pathway to success and commands the respect of all mankind.

The goal of efficiency cannot be reached by a single bound. It often requires years of struggle, patience and courage, but, as in the case of this young man, its development is accelerated.

Our high schools graduate hundreds of young men and women yearly, who have received the nucleus for advancement. Some continue on through classic and scientific pursuits, some take to the professions while others enter the industrial field. How many, however, fall because of that grueling test, efficiency. How many fall by the wayside because of lack of ambition and determination. How few succeed. There is no room in the path of progressiveness for the slothful, the indolent, the dreamer.

The success of the high school boy mentioned proves that industrial opportunities are open to Negroes. It is a vast field almost unlimited and should be an incentive to inspire energy, ambition and determination to acquire efficiency and by so doing command a higher consideration in the pursuit of life, health and happiness.

FULLMAN PORTERS

Rosa, captain.

The Benevolent Order Fullman Porters met Jan. 17, 1917, and endorsed the officers and committee for the success in raising \$25.00 for the Christmas Basket Donation Fund used to thank the Ladies' Auxiliary for their effort to see that every sick porter received a Christmas gift. The porters also donated 50 bushels of coal to the colored orphan's home. During the past five months the Benevolent Order paid more than \$300 to the following sick members: P. D. Alton, E. R. Biggs, S. Bang, J. W. Chambers, T. Clark, J. Douglas, L. G. Fowler, T. H. Goodrich, S. Lee, E. H. Biddle, G. W. Rose, Geo. Sullivan, H. Smith, W. Wade, C. Young, A. S. Tate, B. Grady and O. Nichols.

There will be a special meeting Feb. 7th to complete the arrangements for the fourth annual banquet. The date will be published later.

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MOUND CITY SOCIAL SETTLEMENT

There will be a benefit matinee Feb. 10, at the Booker Washington Theater, 1:30 to 3 p. m. This is the first entertainment given for the settlement for over a year and we hope the public will respond generously. Tickets are only 10 cents.

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ST. PETERS CHURCH

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SUCCESSFUL REVIVAL CLOSES



REV. J. H. CROOKS, Evangelist

The great revival which has been in progress at Lane Tabernacle C. M. E. Church, 2066 Fairfax Ave., will close Monday evening, with a special sermon to the converts by Dr. J. H. Crooks, the great evangelist and gospel preacher from Clarksville, Tenn.

Dr. Smith, the pastor, is well pleased with the result of the meeting. About 100 souls have accepted Christ as their Saviour during the course of these meetings. Dr. Crooks and Smith have been ably assisted by Dr. J. W. Jacobs presiding here.

Dr. Crooks will fill the pulpit Sunday 11 a. m., selecting for his sub-

ject: "Self Denial."

At 3 p. m. a great mass meeting will be held for the ladies only, conducted by Dr. Crooks, assisted by Dr. Smith. All the ladies are invited to attend this service.

At night the subject will be "God's Provision for Man."

On Monday night, after the special service to the converts, the different boards and auxiliaries will entertain the new members. All are invited to attend this service and listen to the parting words of Dr. Crooks. Subject for Monday night, "Keeping the Faith."

COMING SOON

Notice.—A real treat is in store for the citizens of St. Louis, Mo. Our own Dr. F. H. Cook, of Little Rock, Ark., one of the best gospel ministers of today, one who is known all over the U. S., a silver tongue orator, a master of the pulpit, one who has called and baptized more converts than any one man in the entire South, one whom black and white would rejoice to hear, great crowds go to hear this able divine, will be in St. Louis during the last week of February, for ten or more days. The pastors of the city desiring to have this able minister to speak at their services, will do well to write him, asking for dates.

Address him at No. 1215 Wright Avenue, Little Rock, Ark.
From The New Orleans News, The N. O. Herald.

E. H. NEWSOME

According to reports, E. H. Newsome, an insurance agent of this city, employed for the past three years by the Clover Leaf Casualty Co. of Jacksonville, Ill., has been transferred by the Company to Indianapolis, Ind., to take charge of the district office of that city, beginning about April 1st.

Until this time, Mr. Newsome will do special work for the Company through Kansas, Missouri, Illinois and Kentucky. The transfer comes as an agreeable surprise to Mr. Newsome because it gives him a broader field to work and it is understood the change is a reward for faithful service, and no doubt will make good in his new field of labor as he has done in the city.

He wishes to thank his many policyholders and the general public, for their loyal support which has made it possible for him to receive such consideration from a company that has thrown down the barrier to colored people in four or five of the Middle States; something that no other white health and accident company has done. Mr. Newsome states that he is personally appreciating the transferring of his debt to responsible and skilled agents, who he feels will manifest the same interest in each policyholder that he did himself and asks them to be as loyal to the assigned agent and company in the future as they have been in the past, and there will be no regrets for having trusted the Clover Leaf Casualty Company for any protection mentioned in their contracts.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

By Miss Sadie Pillow

Rev. R. H. Cole last Sunday morning with much earnestness and power set forth many questionable reasons why many church members are without spiritual influence. The church feels greatly benefited by the preaching of the Gospel. At night, Rev. Humphrey preached to an acceptable congregation. Rev. Cole will preach as usual Sunday morning. Rev. Thos. Rodgers will preach Sunday night. Subject: "God Will Provide." The rally is still on. We wish all members to see the clerk and renew their subscriptions. All members and friends are cordially invited to attend.

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Y. W. C. A.

Our Educational Committee has just closed a contract with the Manager of the New Grand Central Theater to show Winston Churchill's "Orations" on February 12, Lincoln's birthday.

A thoroughly interested audience listened to the yearly reports of Wheatley Branch Y. W. C. A., Friday evening at the Annual Meeting. Many were surprised at the slow but very sure growth in the work of Wheatley Branch. Annual reports will be published in next week's paper.

Beginning Thursday, February 1, shoeless men may be secured in the Y. W. C. A. lunchroom.

Any girl or young woman furnishing desirable references can secure employment through our Employment office. Members served free of charge.

The members of the Thursday Evening Physical Class are having a great time.

Mr. T. Theodore Taylor's appearance in a Piano Recital Tuesday evening was an occasion of real enjoyment to music lovers. The voice of our favorite tenor, Mr. J. Arthur Freeman, thrilled the audience with its usual sweetness.

Vesper Services at 4:45 Sunday afternoon. A social hour will follow the meeting.

SOUTH KINLOCH PARK IS BOOMING

White people who have bought more than one thousand lots in old Kinloch Park have been paying the same prices on the same terms as the colored people who have bought in South Kinloch Park. If there is any difference, the colored people have been getting the best of it, because South Kinloch Park is nearer the city and has better street car service.

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YASENACLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Dr. E. E. McGee is a wonderful gospel preacher, many are coming in the church. The Doctor will preach a special sermon Sunday morning on the subject, "The Fundamentals of True Religion," and at 8 p. m. his subject will be, "Why Not Make Use of Them?" This will show the revival.

Dr. McGee truly understood how to handle a church and men especially, for all seem to love him, so much so, until they are going to get him an automobile.

Dr. McGee will baptize Sunday at 3 p. m. All are invited to be present.

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